

**SAMPLE COUNTY  
EMERGENCY DECLARATION**

WHEREAS, the County of \_\_\_\_\_ has suffered damages from Severe Winter Weather that was caused by wet heavy snow, winds, and blizzard conditions that occurred October 4 and 5, 2013; and

WHEREAS, heavy layer of ice and snow, stressed by strong winds and blizzard conditions caused extensive damage to utility infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, efforts to repair and restore infrastructure is creating damage to roads and right-of-ways and has caused extensive damages the rural electric cooperatives; and

WHEREAS, this storm caused power outages throughout the county, downed power poles and transmission lines, and blocked rural roads and county streets; and

WHEREAS, this heavy snowfall caused major tree damage and damage to livestock, buildings and property; and

WHEREAS, the impact of these damages raise concerns and threaten the health, well-being, and public safety of citizens in the county of \_\_\_\_\_ due to the storm, and

WHEREAS, the cost of snow removal and tree removal and the cost of repair, replacement and cleanup of damaged property is in excess of available citizen and county resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the \_\_\_\_\_ County Commission declares a state of emergency to include damages from severe storm activity and to utilize the \_\_\_\_\_ County Local Emergency Operations Plan to limit the hardships and impact of this emergency upon the citizens of \_\_\_\_\_.

DATED at \_\_\_\_\_, North Dakota, this \_\_\_\_ day of October, 2013

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Commission Chair